

The regular meeting of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Powers in the Board Conference Room on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 12:06 p.m.

Roll was called by the Clerk. Present: Mr. Brown, Mr. Gustafson, Ms. Meyette, Mr. Sebolt, Mr. Walker and Mr. Powers. Absent: Mr. Byl.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2017 meeting as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Chairperson Powers opened the Public Hearing on the County of Oceana's Truth-in-Taxation Hearing at 12:07 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining public input on the proposed 2017 Truth-in-Taxation Hearing. The proposed 2017 Truth-in-Taxation hearing must be held in order to allow the County to collect the maximum millage rates allowed.

Chairperson Powers asked if there were any public comments. Mr. Mark Ferris, Grant Township resident, raised a few questions regarding funds received on land sale auctions; and, concerns over the budget.

There being no further public comments, Chairperson Powers closed the Public Hearing at 12:10 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 -- APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to appoint and reappoint the following individuals to the stated boards, commissions, and committees:

- Reappointments for the Board of Public Works:
 - Mr. Larry Byl, PO Box 130, Shelby, MI Term 01/01/2018 - 12/31/2020
 - Ms. Mary Lou Phillips, 1377 W Lever Rd, Hart, MI Term 01/01/2018 - 12/31/2020

- Reappointment for the Department of Health and Human Services Board:
 - Ms. Christine Jensen, 454 W Tyler Rd, Hart, MI Term 11/01/2017 - 10/31/2020

- Reappointment for Oceana County Building Authority:
 - Ms. Sue Ann Johnson, 418 E Concord, Pentwater, MI Term 12/01/2017 - 11/30/2020
 - Mr. Paul Inglis, 340 Hawley St, Shelby, MI Term 12/01/2017 - 11/30/2020

- Reappointment for the Oceana County Housing Commission:
 - Mr. David Spittler, 6121 Wayne Rd, Pentwater, MI Term 06/01/2017 - 05/31/2022

- Reappointment for the Oceana County Land Bank Authority Board:
 - Ms. Connie Cargill, 885 N 52nd Ave, Mears, MI Term 10/01/2017 - 09/30/2020
- Appointment for Oceana County Land Bank Authority Board:
 - Mr. Randolph Miller, 3021 Van Buren Rd, Hart, MI Term 10/01/2017 - 09/30/2018

Voice vote. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 – 2017 MILLAGE LEVY

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Walker to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners held the required Truth-in-Taxation Hearing on October 12, 2017, and

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners has considered the budgetary needs of the county for FY 2018, and

WHEREAS, the millage rates shown in the following table are the maximum millage rates allowed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Oceana’s 2017 Millage Levy shall be as follows:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Maximum Allowable Millage Levy</u>	<u>July 1, 2017 Millage Levy</u>	<u>December 1, 2017 Millage Levy</u>
Allocated	County Operating	5.7500	5.7500	.0000
Voted	MCF Operating	2.4847	.0000	2.4847
Voted	Ambulance Operating	.9948	.0000	.9948
Voted	Council on Aging Operating	.7493	.0000	.7493
Voted	Council on Aging	.2500	.0000	.2500
Voted	Veterans	.1000	.0000	.1000
Voted	9-1-1	.1398	.0000	.1398
Voted	MCF Building	.4969	.0000	.2000
Current Maximum Allowable Millage Rates Under Headlee & MCL 211.34		10.9655		
2017 Oceana County Summer & Winter Millage Rates			5.7500	4.9186
2017 Oceana County Total Millage Rate			= 10.6686	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to authorize the Chairman of the Board and the Oceana County Clerk to sign the L-4029 Tax Rate Request Certifying Compliance with Section 31 of Article 9 of the State Constitution of 1963, and that the requested levy rates have also been reduced, if necessary to comply with MCL Sections 211.24e, and 211.34.

Roll call vote: Mr. Sebolt-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes, and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Byl.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3 – MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT)
TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT FOR COUNCIL ON AGING**

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Brown to approve the following Resolution of Approval of Master Agreement No. 2017-0109 and Execution of Project Authorizations by and Between Michigan Department of Transportation and Oceana County Board of Commissioners:

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners has the authority to contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for State and/or Federal funds for passenger transportation related services; and

WHEREAS, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve Master Agreement No. 2017-0109; and

WHEREAS, this resolution shall also approve execution of Project Authorizations for any programs designated by the Oceana County Board of Commissioners and/or Project Authorizations for any amount determined by the Oceana County Board of Commissioners with the Michigan Department of Transportation which are issued under Master Agreement No. 2017-0109.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners and Oceana County Clerk are authorized and directed to execute Master Agreement No. 2017-0109 and to enter into and execute on behalf of the Oceana County Board of Commissioners all such Project Authorizations with the Michigan Department of Transportation for passenger transportation related services for the Agreement period.

Roll call vote: Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Byl.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – APPROVAL OF SUPPORT LOAN FOR OCEANA COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY (OCMCF)

Moved by Ms. Meyette and seconded by Mr. Gustafson to provide a construction support loan for the Oceana County Medical Care Facility in the amount of \$400,000. The source of loan funds will be the County Treasurer's delinquent tax fund. The terms of agreement for the loan are as follows: loan effective date of November 1, 2017; repayment in full no later than April 30, 2018 (6 months); and an annual rate of interest of 2.25%. Interest will be charged on funds drawn from the loan funds beginning on the first day of the draw, until paid in full.

Roll call vote: Ms. Meyette-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Byl.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – TO RESCIND THE 10-YEAR HEALTH INSURANCE PRIVILEGE ESTABLISHED ON DECEMBER 27, 1984

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Sebolt to rescind the privilege established on December 27, 1984 by board resolution, whereby employees who retire from employment with the county with a minimum of ten (10) years of service were eligible to continue participating in group health insurance

coverage offered to active county employees. Although the total cost of coverage was to be paid by the former employee, the legacy costs associated with this provision, namely the county's health insurance premiums that are now based on actual usage, otherwise known as experience-based, could be higher in the future because of the provision.

Furthermore, the Board of Commissioners continually works to offer the best health insurance options for its employees, within current budget constraints and statutory requirements. The 1984 decision could adversely affect future health insurance costs for the county, its active employees, and retirees.

Furthermore, rescinding this resolution does not alter current county policy for retirees with at least 20 years of service, regarding participation in the county's health insurance program.

Roll call vote: Mr. Walker-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Byl.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 – APPROVAL TO OBTAIN LEGAL SERVICES FOR GALES POND PARK

Moved by Mr. Sebolt and seconded by Mr. Brown to authorize the Parks and Recreation Commission to engage Prince and Monton for legal services to affect a land exchange with Mr. Dan Deneke related to Gales Pond Park at a cost not to exceed \$5,000. Funding shall come from the Parks and Recreation Commission's FY 2017 Fund Balance.

Furthermore, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign all required legal documents.

Roll call vote: Mr. Sebolt-yes; Mr. Brown-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Byl.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 - PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Moved by Mr. Gustafson and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the payment of claims in the tentative amounts as follows:

AMBULANCE FUND	\$ 96,598.69
GIS FUND	-0-
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND	3,030.73
BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	10,941.27
TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION FUND	6,073.39
ANIMAL CONTROL BUILDING	50,916.08
TOTAL FORECLOSURE FUND	8,336.36
K-9 FUND	-0-
VETERAN AFFAIRS	3,503.75
MEDICAL RESERVE CORP	75.47
AUTOMATION FUND R.O.D.	750.00
VICTIMS SERVICES	-0-
LOCAL CORR. OFFICERS TRAINING FUND	-0-

GENERAL FUND

TOTAL

499,631.96

\$679,857.70

and to authorize the County Clerk to draw warrants and the County Treasurer to pay the same.

Roll call vote: Mr. Gustafson-yes; Mr. Walker-yes; Ms. Meyette-yes; Mr. Sebolt-yes.
Mr. Brown-yes; and Mr. Powers-yes. Absent: Mr. Byl.

Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Sebolt attended the Veterans Committee meeting yesterday (October 11) and they may have an intern to assist the Veterans Service Officer with some of her duties

Commissioner Sebolt also attended the Road Commission meeting yesterday (October 11) and discussion ensued regarding the power of the County Board to place a road millage on the ballot.

Commissioner Walker recently attended a meeting whereby he spoke with 100th District State Representative Scott VanSingel. With respect to Public Act 51, Oceana County is not getting equitable road funding compared to other counties.

Commissioner Walker noted that with the progress being done on the Peterson Farms housing project, that there is communication with the County Airport and Mr. Lohman.

Commissioner Powers attended the retirement party for Mr. Greg Wilson, Medical Care Facility Administrator. He had a chance to meet the new administrator, Mr. Davis.

Mr. Sobie reminded all Commissioners that the next regular scheduled Board meeting will be held Thursday, October 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Powers asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 12:31 p.m.


Rebecca J. Griffith, Clerk

10-24-17
Date


Mr. Powers, Chairperson

